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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Introductory Comments

Traverse, Request For Reconsideration And Provisional Election

This is submitted in response to an office action having no paper designation number but dated October 2, 2003 wherein the examiner required restriction of the subject matter disclosed in the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, hereby traverses the restriction requirement in all of its respects, requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the requirement for restriction and further requests a prompt and

thorough examination of all of the claims pending in the application, on their merits.

Without prejudice to the foregoing traverse and request for reconsideration and without prejudice to Applicant's right to petition against the restriction requirement, in compliance with the requirement set forth in the official action Applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group I, namely claims 1-30, 49-52 and 68-82, which the Examiner has characterized as being directed to a container having a pump (or pump components).